

B. Claims

Please cancel claim 8 and amend claims 1, 9, 21, 23 and 28 as follows. In accordance with the revised amendment format, a complete listing of all the claims appears below; this listing replaces all earlier amendments and listings of the claims.

1. (Currently Amended) A propellant-free foamable aqueous composition ~~capable of forming a stable foam when dispensed from a propellantless finger actuated mechanical pump dispenser and suitable for use as a vaginal or hemorrhoidal wipe~~ consisting essentially of:

(a) water in an amount from about 70% to about 98% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition;

(b) surfactant in an amount from about 2% to about 35% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition, wherein the surfactant is ~~selected from the group consisting of nonionic surfactants, amphoteric surfactants, anionic surfactants and mixtures thereof~~ a combination of polysorbate 20, triethanolamine-cocoyl glutamate and disodium cocoamphodiacetate; and

(c) foam stabilizing agent in an amount from about 0.10% to about 5% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition, wherein the foam stabilizing agent is selected from the group consisting of natural and synthetic gums, polyalkylene glycols, alkylene polyols and combinations thereof;

wherein the propellant-free foamable aqueous composition is capable of forming a stable foam when dispensed from a propellantless finger actuated mechanical

pump dispenser, wherein the stable foam maintains the integrity of a disposable substrate to which it is applied and wherein the stable foam is suitable for application to the vaginal or anal area.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 1, wherein water is present in an amount from about 80% to about 98% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition.

4. (Original) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 3, wherein water is present in an amount of about 90%, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Previously Presented) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 1, wherein the surfactant is present in an amount from about 5% to about 15% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 8 1, wherein polysorbate 20 is present in an amount from about 0.1% to about 2%, triethanolamine-cocoyl glutamate is present in an amount from about 1% to about 15%, and disodium cocoamphodiacetate is present in an amount from about 1% to about 15% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition.

10. (Previously Presented) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 9, wherein polysorbate 20 is present in an amount of about 1%, triethanolamine-cocoyl glutamate is present in an amount of about 5%, and disodium cocoamphodiacetate is present in an amount of about 5% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Previously Presented) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 1, wherein the foam stabilizing agent is present in an amount from about 2% to about 4% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition.

14. (Previously Presented) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 1, wherein the foam stabilizing agent is a combination of glycerine, xanthan gum and polyethylene glycol (23 oxyethylene).

15. (Previously Presented) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 1, wherein alkylene polyols are present in an amount from about 0.1% to about 10%, gums are present in an amount from about 0.05% to about 1%, and polyalkylene glycols are present in an amount from about 0.05% to about 2% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition.

16. (Original) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 15, wherein alkylene polyols are present in an amount from about 3% to about 5% and gums are present in an amount of about 0.05% to about 0.15% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition.

17. (Previously Presented) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 1 further consisting of a preservative.

18. (Original) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 17, wherein the preservative is selected from the group consisting of methylparaben, propylparaben, DMDM hydantoin and iodopropynyl butylcarbamate and combinations thereof.

19. (Original) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 17, wherein the preservative is present in an amount from about 0.10% to about 1% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition.

20. (Original) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 19, wherein the preservative is present in an amount from about 0.40% to about 0.60% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition.

21. (Currently Amended) A propellant-free foamable aqueous composition ~~capable of forming a stable foam when dispensed from a propellantless finger-actuated mechanical pump dispenser and suitable for use as a vaginal or hemorrhoidal wipe~~ consisting essentially of:

(a) water in an amount from about 70% to about 98% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition;

(b) surfactant in an amount from about 2% to about 35% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition, wherein the surfactant is ~~selected from the group consisting of nonionic surfactants, amphoteric surfactants, anionic surfactants and mixtures thereof~~ a combination of polysorbate 20, triethanolamine-cocoyl glutamate and disodium cocoamphodiacetate;

(c) foam stabilizing agent in an amount from about 0.10% to about 5% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition, wherein the foam stabilizing

agent is selected from the group consisting of natural and synthetic gums, polyalkylene glycols, alkylene polyols and combinations thereof; and

(d) medicament;

wherein the propellant-free foamable aqueous composition is capable of forming a stable foam when dispensed from a propellantless finger actuated mechanical pump dispenser, wherein the stable foam maintains the integrity of a disposable substrate to which it is applied and wherein the stable foam is suitable for application to the vaginal or anal area.

22. (Original) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 21, wherein the medicament is selected from the group consisting of pramoxine HCl, phenylephrine HCl, ephedrine sulfate, dibucaine HCl and combinations thereof.

23. (Currently Amended) A propellant-free foamable aqueous composition ~~capable of forming a stable foam when dispensed from a propellantless finger actuated mechanical pump dispenser and suitable for use as a vaginal or hemorrhoidal wipe~~ consisting essentially of:

(a) water in an amount from about 70% to about 98% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition;

(b) surfactant in an amount from about 2% to about 35% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition, wherein the surfactant is ~~selected from the group consisting of nonionic surfactants, amphoteric surfactants, anionic surfactants and~~

~~mixtures thereof~~ a combination of polysorbate 20, triethanolamine-cocoyl glutamate and disodium cocoamphodiacetate;

(c) foam stabilizing agent in an amount from about 0.10% to about 5% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition, wherein the foam stabilizing agent is selected from the group consisting of natural and synthetic gums, polyalkylene glycols, alkylene polyols and combinations thereof; and

(d) a constituent selected from the group consisting of lubricants, chelating agents, moisturizers, healing agents, fragrance, color and mixtures thereof;

wherein the propellant-free foamable aqueous composition is capable of forming a stable foam when dispensed from a propellantless finger actuated mechanical pump dispenser, wherein the stable foam maintains the integrity of a disposable substrate to which it is applied and wherein the stable foam is suitable for application to the vaginal or anal area.

24. (Previously Presented) A system for delivering a foam suitable for use as a vaginal or hemorrhoidal wipe agent comprising a propellantless finger actuated mechanical pump dispenser containing a propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 1.

25. (Previously Presented) A stable foam suitable for use as a vaginal or hemorrhoidal wipe agent formed by dispensing from a propellantless finger actuated

mechanical pump dispenser a propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 1.

26. (Original) A vaginal or hemorrhoidal wipe product comprising:
a stable foam disposed on bathroom tissue, wherein the stable foam is formed by dispensing a propellant-free foamable aqueous composition from a propellantless finger actuated mechanical pump dispenser.

27. (Previously Presented) A vaginal or hemorrhoidal foam wipe kit comprising:

(a) a propellantless finger actuated mechanical pump dispenser containing a propellant-free foamable aqueous composition capable of forming a stable foam on dispensing; and

(b) a disposable substrate for receiving the stable foam.

28. (Currently Amended) A propellant-free foamable aqueous composition capable of forming a stable foam when dispensed from a propellantless finger actuated mechanical pump dispenser and suitable for use as a vaginal or hemorrhoidal wipe comprising:

(a) water;

(b) surfactant ~~which is~~ in an amount from about 2% to about 35% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition, wherein the surfactant

consists essentially of a combination of polysorbate 20, triethanolamine-cocoyl glutamate and disodium cocoamphodiacetate; and

(c) foam stabilizing agent in an amount from about 0.10% to about 5% by weight, based on the total weight of the aqueous composition, wherein the foam stabilizing agent consists essentially of a combination of glycerine, xanthan gum and polyethylene glycol (23 oxyethylene) or a combination of propylene glycol and xanthan gum;

wherein the propellant-free foamable aqueous composition is capable of forming a stable foam when dispensed from a propellantless finger actuated mechanical pump dispenser, wherein the stable foam maintains the integrity of a disposable substrate to which it is applied and wherein the stable foam is suitable for application to the vaginal or anal area.

29. (Previously Presented) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 28 further comprising a medicament.

30. (Previously Presented) The propellant-free foamable aqueous composition according to claim 29, wherein the medicament is selected from the group consisting of pramoxine HCl, phenylephrine HCl, ephedrine sulfate, dibucaine HCl and combinations thereof.